

RE: "Proceeding 02-278"Indiana's Telephone Privacy law protections

We do not believe the FCC should implement any proposal that would lessen Indiana's Telephone Privacy law protections.

Since Indiana Telephone Privacy law was enacted our time at home has been less stressful. After a hard day of work, we are enjoying the peace and quiet without the constant interruptions of unwanted and intrusive telephone calls. We used to start receiving calls around 4:30 pm. and they would continue to about 9:30 to 10:00 p.m. every night including Sundays. It was very frustrating. We tried ignoring them. But, we have many elderly family members and felt that we had to answer. Receiving telephone calls throughout the evening was nerve racking, as we did not know if it might an emergency situation. We tried answering and just say no, but they would not let up and continued to harass and nag at us with some very sly sales pitches. Many nights we would be upset over telephone solicitations. We now receive one or two telephone calls a week and they are not continuously on going throughout the evening.

Indiana's laws have provided us with the kind of privacy we have wanted and needed. It is so refreshing not to have to worry about being bombarded by unsolicited telephone calls. We personally feel that the FCC should not implement any proposal that preempts Indiana's Telephone Privacy law protections. We do not want the FCC to diminish the protections we are receiving through our state's law protections. Companies have many types of effective media resources at their disposal to generate business. Companies do not need to solicit customers by telephone. Please leave Indiana's laws alone.

Thank you.